New Technology Implementation Grant (NTIG) Program

NTIG Electricity Storage Applicant
Workshop





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What does TERP do?

The objectives of the TERP are to:



achieve maximum reductions in nitrogen oxides (NO_X) emissions to help areas of the state meet and maintain National Ambient Air Quality Standards.



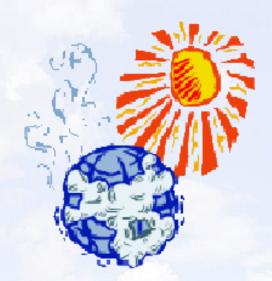
advance new technologies that reduce NO_X emissions and other emissions from facilities and stationary sources





Why Reduce NO_X Emissions?

Ground level ozone is created by chemical reactions of NO_X and volatile organic compounds (VOC) in the presence of sunlight.



NO_X + VOC + Sunlight = OZONE



TERP Grant Programs

Emissions Reduction Incentive Grants (ERIG) Program

Rebate Grants Program

Texas Clean Fleet Program (TCFP)

Texas Natural Gas Vehicle Grant Program (TNGVGP)

Seaport and Rail Yards Emissions Reduction (SPRY) Program

Alternative Fueling Facilities Program (AFFP)

Texas Clean School Bus (TCSB) Program

New Technology Implementation Grant (NTIG) Program

Light-Duty Purchase or Lease Incentive (LDPLIP) Program



NTIG Objective

The NTIG program provides grants for the implementation of existing technologies that reduce emissions of pollutants from facilities and other stationary sources including electricity storage projects in Texas.



NTIG Goals

- Help Texas become a leader in new technologies that can solve the state's environmental challenges while creating new business and industry in the state.
- Maintain the quality of air in Texas in order to meet standards established under the Federal Clean Air Act.



Eligible Applicants

The Applicant must:

- be the owner or licensed operator of a facility located in Texas;
- propose an electricity storage project related to renewable energy in Texas; and
- provide evidence of operational control and that the entity is in compliance with all applicable Texas laws.



Eligible Projects

Eligible Electricity Storage Projects must:

- propose the storage of power from renewable energy to be released back into the grid;
- clearly demonstrate how the electricity storage project is "related to renewable energy"; and
- propose an electricity storage project with rated power of one (1) megawatt (MW) or greater.



NTIG Eligible Costs

- Projects selected for funding may be awarded a grant amount not to exceed 50% of the costs to implement the project.
- Applicants awarded a grant will be required to match the grant amount.



NTIG Grant Scoring Criteria

- 25 points Program Alignment
- 20 points Energy Storage Capacity (MWh)
- 10 points Technology Lifetime
- 10 points Storage System Rated Power
- 10 points Cycle Efficiency
- 10 points Storage Response Time
- 10 points Cost Per 1 kWh Stored
- 5 points Applicant Qualifications



NTIG Application Process



STEP 1: Review the Request for Grant Applications (RFGA), Guidelines, and example contract.

STEP 2: Download the application form and W-9 form. Refer to RFGA, Appendix A for the project proposal outline, and Sample Implementation Plan.

STEP 3: Complete the application.

STEP 4: Mail or hand deliver the application forms and supporting documents.



Applications (Continued) (

Strengthening applications:

- Provide technical support for all claims
- Identify key tasks in implementation plan & timeline
- Provide full and complete answers to all questions under Section 3: Project Proposal Outline in RFGA.
- Provide a feasible implementation plan
- Provide information about any partnerships that will be established for the project's implementation



Confidential Information

- MUST be submitted separately
 - Separate envelope
 - Every page marked:

"Confidential/Proprietary: inform applicant & Seek AG opinion before releasing"

- DO NOT submit electronically
- Applies to supporting information only

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Application Submittal

Be sure to submit:



1 <u>signed</u> paper copy of the application, project proposal, and implementation plan.



1 electronic copy via a DVD/CD.



Label and separate confidential information and submit according to instructions provided in Appendix B of the RFGA.



Submitting the Application

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We cannot accept:

- Applications via e-mail
- Anything on a USB
- Anything confidential in electronic form
- Photocopied signatures



Submitting the Application

Submit application in person or by mail to:

TCEQ



12100 Park 35 Circle, Bldg. F (MC-204) Austin, TX 78753



One paper copy with original signatures (photocopies cannot be accepted)



One electronic copy (CD/DVD only)

SUBMISSION DEADLINE:
May 1, 2018
5:00 p.m. Central Standard Time



Funding

There is up to \$1 million in funding available for this grant round.

- There is no maximum award amount per project.
- All funds awarded in Fiscal Year 2018 must be used by May 31, 2020.





NTIG Budget Requirements

- Include TOTAL Project Costs
- Identify and distinguish between:
 - expenses eligible for reimbursement (TCEQ pays); and
 - expenses that are part of the project and will be matching cost (Applicant pays).



NTIG Eligible Categories

Eligible Budget Categories:

- Equipment
- Supplies and Materials
- Construction
- Contractual Services
- Other Expenses
- Salaries & Fringe Benefits
- Travel









NTIG Ineligible Expenses

Project costs not eligible for reimbursement:

- Costs incurred prior to opening of grant round, February 21, 2018
- Escalation, inflation, indeterminates, and contingencies
- Facility improvements and equipment <u>not directly associated</u> with the project
- Costs related to the operation and maintenance of the grantfunded technology
- Purchase of testing equipment
- Fees for TCEQ-issued permits
- Administrative costs



Contracts

- Executed contract required
- Notice to Proceed (NTP)
 - Limited
 - Final





Getting Started



Provide TCEQ proof of insurance and property rights.



Provide documentation of renewable energy construction and integration with the grid.



Receive Notice to Proceed from TCEQ.



Begin project, submit requests for reimbursement.





NTIG Grant Phases



Implementation Phase

- Construction
- Reimbursement
- Reimbursement must be completed by May 31, 2020



- Quarterly Status Reports required
- Completion of Implementation = Final Status
 Report

Five-Year Operational Phase

- Facility must remain operational for five years from project completion
- Annual Status Reports required





Operational Requirements

- Ownership/control
- Facility in good operating condition
- Annual reports
- Compliance





Reimbursement

Supporting Documentation Required:

- cancelled checks (front and back)
- credit card or bank statements
- itemized invoices
- connect the dots





Reimbursement

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- Request reimbursement after the costs have been incurred and paid
- Submit requests monthly as incurred or upon completion
- Status reports may be required
- Reimbursement forms will be provided with contract



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We are here to help!

